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## Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 10/734,696  
Examiner: John C. HongFirst Named Applicant: Robert L. Memmen  
Art Unit: 3726 Status of Application: Pending (Final Rejection)

## Tentative Participants:

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Proposed Date of Interview: 08/29/2007

Proposed Time: 3:00 (AM/PM)

## Type of Interview Requested:

(1)  Telephonic (2)  Personal (3)  Video ConferenceExhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated:  YES  NO

If yes, provide brief description:

## Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art Haas et al.	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) Rej.	various	Haas et al.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
(2) Rej.	various	Haas et al./Neal et al.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
(3)			[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
(4)			[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

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## Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:

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An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on .  
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Examiner/SPE Signature

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The Advisory Action first errs in its characterization of claim 1. Claim 1 identifies a part which has lost first material "from a metallic substrate..." Hass et al. identifies applying a coating to a substrate 320. The Advisory Action asserts "Hass et al. al. [sic] may teach [a] metallic coating, but metallic [sic] coating [is] also a metallic substrate." As best can be understood, this vitiates the term substrate.

Claim 1 identifies modulating. Various dependent claims identify more detailed aspects of the modulation. The prior Office action had cited a passage of Hass et al. which identified "a periodically alternating voltage..." The Advisory Action makes two errors. First it repeats the misreading of "alternating" as "altering". Second, it then bootstraps this into modulating. The reference to periodically alternating voltage does not imply modulation, generally, and the particular modulation of dependent claims.

Finally, Applicants' prior arguments have never been addressed due to the inconsistency between the Response to Arguments section of the May 30, 2007 Office Action (which indicated that Applicants' arguments were moot in view of new ground(s)) and the Claim Rejections sections (which merely repeated the prior rejections). The result is that Applicants' arguments have not been addressed and Applicants have not been informed of the new ground(s) (if any).